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CHAPTER 393

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION SO AS TO PERMIT THE ELECTION OF MORE THAN ONE REGULAR SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE IN ANY DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, be and is hereby amended by striking out Section 10, Article IV, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 10, Art. IV,
N. C. Constitution,
amended.

SEC. 10. Judicial Districts for Superior Courts. The General Assembly shall divide the State into a number of judicial districts which number may be increased or reduced and shall provide for the election of one or more Superior Court judges for each district. There shall be a Superior Court in each county at least twice in each year to continue for such time in each county as may be prescribed by law.

Judicial Districts
for Superior
Court.

Election of one or
more judges for
each district.

SEC. 2. That this amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the whole State at the general election to be held November 7, 1950.

Submission of
amendment to
voters.

SEC. 3. That the electors favoring the adoption of this amendment shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed, "For permitting the General Assembly to prescribe the number of regular Superior Court judges in each judicial district, provided each district has at least one;" those opposed shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed, "Against permitting the General Assembly to prescribe the number of regular Superior Court judges in each judicial district, provided each district has at least one."

Form of ballot.

SEC. 4. That the election upon the amendment shall be conducted in the same manner and under the same rules and regulations as provided by the laws governing general elections; and if the majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of the amendment, it shall be the duty of the Governor of the State to certify the amendment under the Seal of the State to the Secretary of the State who shall enroll the said amendment so certified among the permanent records of his office, and the same shall be in force in every part thereof from and after date of such certification.

Conduct of
election.

Certification of
result.

Enrollment.

SEC. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Conflicting laws
repealed.

SEC. 6. That this Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 18th day of March, 1949.